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SUBJECT: EXPO 74 - POSSIBLE DUTCH PARTICIPATION IN SCIENTIFIC
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1. RIJNMOND (MOUTH OF THE RHINE) AUTHORITY HAS BEEN WORKING FOR SOME TIME ON DEVELOPING A MATHEMATICAL MODEL FOR ASSESSING IMPACT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MEASURES (EG, MODIFICATIONS TO PHYSICAL INFRA-STRUCTURE, POPULATION DISTRIBUTION, HOUSING, ETC) ON COMMUNITY AND INDIVIDUAL WELFARE. DIRECTOR OF RIJNMOND'S ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENT, CLARENBURG (WHOM COMMISSIONER HENDERSON MET DURING NOVEMBER 73 VISIT TO THE NETHERLANDS) HAS EXPRESSED POSSIBLE INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING IN SUITABLE EXPO-RELATED SEMINAR OR SIMILAR ACTIVITY AT WHICH PRESENTATION OF RIJNMOND PROJECT COULD BE MADE.

2. WHILE RIJNMOND PROJECT SEEMS INTELLECTUALLY AMBITIOUS AND IS STILL IN EMBRYONIC STAGE, AS DESCRIBED TO US IT SOUNDS NOVEL IN ITS APPROACH TO INTEGRATED PLANNING BY INTRODUCING "OBJECTIVE" UNIVERSAL HUMAN NEEDS AS ENDOGENOUS VARIABLES.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ADVISING US WHETHER RIJNMOND PROJECT MAY BE OF INTEREST TO EXPO AND, IF SO, OF PROCEDURE FOR PROGRAMMING INTO EXPO ACTIVITIES. (NOTE: CLARENBURG IS CURRENTLY WORKING ON AN ARTICLE FOR A FRENCH PERIODICAL DESCRIBING THE RIJNMOND MODEL. HE HAS INDICATED HE WILL PROVIDE US COPY, WHICH WE WILL FORWARD SOON AS AVAILABLE.)

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